Luke 2:52 Explained

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Luke 2:52 - American Standard Version (ASV)
<52> And Jesus **advanced in wisdom** and stature, and **in favor with God** and men.

Question 1: “Why did Jesus’ wisdom increase if he is all-knowing?”

John of Damascus wrote about this in his work “Exact Exposition of the Orthodox Faith”.

Summary of Book 3, Chapter 22: Jesus does not actually increase in wisdom and grace, but it becomes more apparent as he grows older. John of Damascus refers to people’s perception and not to an actual change in Jesus. Additionally, Jesus Christ has been perfect in wisdom and grace from the beginning.

Question 2: “Why did he find more favor with God?”

He grew in favor with God in accordance with his own divinity. This means that he grew according to the divine will, which is also his own will of the Father. It is important to note here that Jesus has the same will as the Father. (This also applies to the Holy Spirit.)

Verses:
John 5:19 - American Standard Version (ASV)
<19> Jesus therefore answered and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, **The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father doing: for what things soever he doeth, these the Son also doeth in like manner.**

John 10:30 - American Standard Version (ASV)
<30> **I and the Father are one.**

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